MINUTES OF MEETING

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

SPECIAL MEETING

BUDGET WORKSHOP #4

THE WOODLANDS TOWNSHIP

AUGUST 19, 2009

THE STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTIES OF HARRIS & MONTGOMERY §

The Board of Directors of The Woodlands Township, met in special session, open to the public, on August 19, 2009, posted to begin at 9:30 a.m. The meeting was held in the Meeting Room at the Township's Office, 10001 Woodloch Forest Dr., Suite 600, The Woodlands, Texas, within the boundaries of the Township. The roll was called of the duly elected and appointed members of the Board of Directors, to wit:

Nelda Luce Blair Chairman
Lloyd W. Matthews Vice-Chairman
Bruce Tough Vice-Chairman

Vicki D. Richmond Treasurer/Assistant Secretary

Alex Sutton III Secretary
Thomas Campbell Director
Kemba DeGroot Director
Peggy S. Hausman Director
Claude Hunter Director
Robert C. Kinnear Director
Edmund W. Robb III Director

with all of said persons being present, excluding Directors DeGroot and Hausman, thus constituting a quorum. Also present for conducting business and assisting Board members

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Chairman Blair called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m. She announced that a quorum was present and that sufficient notice of this meeting had been duly posted as required by law. At this point, Chairman Blair announced that the meeting would be suspended at 10:40 a.m. and resume at 11:45 a.m. in order to allow Board members to attend a funeral. The Chair then requested a motion to adopt the agenda. Director Hunter moved to adopt the agenda. The motion was seconded by Director Campbell and passed unanimously.

Next, Chairman Blair recognized public officials attending the meeting. No public officials were recognized.

Chairman Blair then opened the floor for public discussion regarding the 2010 proposed

Operating Budget of The Woodlands Township. There was no public discussion.

The Board was then asked to receive and consider presentations regarding funding requests from outside organizations. Chairman Blair called on Don Norrell, President for The Woodlands Township, to present this item. Mr. Norrell introduced the following individuals who gave presentations:

- Gary Louie-staff member with the South Montgomery County YMCA
- Mark Cochran-Executive Director for the South Montgomery County YMCA
- Deandra Edwards- Outreach Director for the South Montgomery County YMCA
- Camille Bergsrud-Teen Board member for the South Montgomery County YMCA
- Dr. David Norton-Executive Director of Education for Tomorrow Alliance (EfTA) (handout material)
- Bruce Steimle-Incoming Chairman of the Board, EfTA
- John Tatum-Chairman of the Board for The Friendship Center (handout material)
- Nancy Harrington-Executive Director of The Friendship Center

Board of Directors Special Meeting Budget Workshop #4 August 19, 2009 Copies of handout materials are attached collectively hereto as Exhibit "A".

Following the above presentations, the Board was asked to receive and consider

presentations related to the 2010 proposed Operating Budget of The Woodlands Township.

Don Norrell was called on to present this item. Mr. Norrell referred Board members to a

handout identified as The Woodlands Community Facilities Development Corporation. The

Board was then informed that the next presentations would be related to Capital Projects for

Replacements and Capital Projects for New Development. A copy of the above referenced

handout is attached hereto as Exhibit "B".

Next, Mr. Norrell introduced Joel Deretchin, Vice President of The Woodlands

Development Corporation and Bob Bruce, Manager of Recreation Facilities Development for

The Woodlands Development Corporation. Using a PowerPoint presentation, Mr. Deretchin

addressed the development of new parks and pathways in The Woodlands. Mr. Bruce

continued with the PowerPoint presentation and addressed various projects in the Village of

Sterling Ridge, the Village of Creekside and The Woodlands Town Center. Following both

presentations, the Board participated in a period of questions and answers. Chairman Blair and

Vice-Chairman Tough left at this point in the meeting. A copy of the PowerPoint presentation

used by Mr. Deretchin and Mr. Bruce is attached hereto as Exhibit "C".

Vice-Chairman Matthews conducted the meeting during the Chair's absence. A recess

was called at 10:55 a.m. and Board members were informed that the meeting would resume at

approximately 11:45 a.m. Upon Chairman Blair and Vice-Chairman Tough's return, the Board

reconvened in session at 11:58 a.m. with all members present excluding Director Robb.

Board of Directors Special Meeting Budget Workshop #4 Chairman Blair then asked the Board to discuss the following items:

• Determine if the majority of the Board is comfortable with the proposed

tax rate of 32.8 cents per \$100 valuation

Accelerated law enforcement proposal

Following discussion, it was noted that the majority of the Board felt comfortable with the

proposed tax rate. Additionally, the Board supported an accelerated law enforcement plan.

Director Robb arrived at this point in the meeting.

Next, Chairman Blair invited Board members to engage in discussion regarding the 2010

Operating Budget of The Woodlands Township. Board members were referred to a list of

suggested revisions to the Budget submitted by Board members. Monique Sharp reviewed

these items on an individual basis and Board discussion followed. Chairman Blair emphasized

that no vote would be taken on any of the listed items at this meeting. Staff received directives

from the Board regarding law enforcement funding, funding for outside organizations, and a

funding plan for the Indian Springs Fire Station. The Board was informed that they would

receive feedback on these items by noon on Monday, August 24, 2009. A copy of the list of

suggested Budget revisions, submitted by The Woodlands Township Board members, is

attached hereto as Exhibit "D".

Chairman Blair then asked the Board to consider items to be placed on the agenda for

the next meeting. Director Robb requested, for a future meeting, that the Chair look at

appointing a committee to consider having a "Sister City" for The Woodlands Township.

Chairman Blair then asked if there were any announcements to be made by the Board.

As there were none, the Chair called for a motion to adjourn. Secretary Sutton moved the

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meeting be	adjourned.	Vice-Chairman	Matthews	seconded	the	motion	and	it	passed
unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 2:19 p.m.									
(05.11)				Alex Sutton III Secretary, Board of Directors					
(SEAL)			Secret	ary, Board	of Di	rectors			

EXHIBIT OMISSIONS*

EXHIBIT "A"

EXHIBIT "B"

EXHIBIT "C"

EXHIBIT "D"

^{*}To view Exhibits, please contact the Record Management Officer at 281-363-2447.